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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: June 5, 1954

SUBJECT: Consultation on Guatemala

PARTICIPANTS: Ambassador José Mora of Uruguay
Assistant Secretary Henry F. Holland

COPIES TO: Ambassador Pawley; Mr. Woodward; Mr. Pearson; Mr. Wieland
OSA - Mr. Atwood; Mr. Havemeyer
MID - Mr. Burrows; Mr. Leddy
AR - Ambassador Dreier; Mr. Jamison
Amembassy Guatemala - informally
Amembassy Montevideo - informally

I permitted the Ambassador to read the final draft of our resolution and told him that we were communicating the operative portions to our own Ambassadors in the field. I stated that we did not view the "whereas clauses" as a definitive U.S. text, but simply as our idea of the type of clauses that would be appropriate. I said that in cases where the foreign government approved this portion of the text we would recommend that its ambassador in Washington be authorized to participate in the drafting of definitive whereas clauses.

He approved the draft of resolution in all its aspects and said that he would not transmit it to his Government, but would rely on our Ambassador to make its terms known there. He said that he had recommended to his Government that it approve the use of Montevideo as the site and that it send a message to the Government of Guatemala urging that prior to the Montevideo meeting Guatemala take steps to "satisfy public opinion and tranquilize the United States" with respect to Communist penetration in the Guatemalan Government.

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